

Questioning God: Why? Psalm 10; Habakkuk 1:5-17 February 25, 2018 Kemptville CRC "WHY?..."

WHEN have you thrown up your hands in despair, asking "Why?"

HABAKKUK - "Mr Embrace"

TRACING THE TRAIL OF TODAY'S READING

- Try to retell the conversation in your own words
- What kind of WHY questions have you heard from others?

THREE LAYERS OF WHY

(Can you think of more?)

- A. Draining The Puss
- how much of Habakkuk's question gets answered? what's going on?
- consider Psalm 10 and it's flow. Trace the shift in tone from beginning to end. Wonder why?
- Matthew 27:46 Do you think Jesus blurted this out merely so that he could mimic Psalm 22?

Belief: head and.....

Belief: is struggle a good indicator of weak faith?

Is it a sign of being agnostic? Or does struggle need strong faith?

How much room is there for safe, open spiritual struggle at KCRC?

- B. Getting un-stuck
- consider Acts 4:25, quoting Psalm 2
- how can we come alongside each other to help carry on, or get un-stuck?
- C. Doubt
- "If God is all powerful & loving, WHY does he allow suffering?"
 what do you say?
- What does the option of atheism offer?

SUFFERING AND THE CROSS

- What does the Cross tell us?



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